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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Occupational Therapy Practice
MEETING DATE AND TIME: January 4, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.
PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware
Conference Room A, Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kelly Richardson, Professional Member, President
Mara Beth Schmittinger, Professional Member, Vice President
Karen Virion, Professional Member, Secretary
Angelita Mosley, Public Member
Even Park, Public Member

MEMBER ABSENT

There were no members absent.

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General
Mary Melvin, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

Ann Neal
Keri Repp
Eleanor Gregory

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Schmittinger called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes from November 4, 2016 for approval. Ms. Virion identified a correction to section 4.2.4.4, strike through only the second sentence which was correct in publication. A motion was made by Ms. Schmittinger, seconded by Ms. Richardson, to approve the minutes with

the correction to strike through only the second sentence of section 4.2.4.4. The motion was unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Public Hearing on Proposed Regulatory Amendments Published in the 12/1/16 Register of Regulations

At 4:34 p.m., the public hearing was called to order. Verbatim testimony was recorded. Mr. Maloney stated the purpose of the hearing. The Board introduced their selves for the record. The following items were marked as exhibits for the record: Board Exhibit 1 – News Journal publication affidavit; Board Exhibit 2 – Delaware State News publication affidavit. Mr. Maloney opened the floor to the public for comment. There were no public comments. The public comment period will remain open for 15 days. At 4:37 p.m., the Board went off the record and the hearing adjourned.

Signing of Final Orders

The Board signed all orders.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratify Applications for Occupational Therapist/Occupational Therapy Assistant

A motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Park, to ratify the approval of the following applications:

1. Melissa Leeson-Fuchs (Occupational Therapist)
2. Elisabeth Teeter (Occupational Therapist)
3. Nicole Cwiertniewicz (Occupational Therapist)
4. Maria Rappucci (Occupational Therapist)
5. Shawna Ecker (Occupational Therapist)
6. Amy Swayngim (Occupational Therapy Assistant)
7. Dorothy DiMarino (Occupational Therapist)
8. Rebecca Wint (Occupational Therapist)
9. Michael Kinsch (Occupational Therapist)
10. Tara Ashley Edwards (Occupational Therapist)
11. Jamie Lynn Selfridge (Occupational Therapist)
12. Paula Leigh Carroll (Occupational Therapist)
13. Kimberly Zwissler (Occupational Therapist)

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Activities

A motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Virion, to approve the following continuing education activities as presented:

Wilmington, DE

Myofascial Release 1. 20 Hours

Rehoboth Beach, DE

Knee and Hip Pain Seminar 1 Hours

Easter Seals Conference Center

Current Trends and Topics for School Based Therapy 6 Hours

Christiana Early Education Center

Effective Transition from Early Intervention Therapy to
School based Therapy 1.5 Hours

Epic Development Services; Towson MD

Therapy In and Out of the Classroom 13.5 Hours

Elim Park; Cheshire, CT

Making Therapy Fun! Using Therapeutic Aquatics 15 Hours

BEEBE Healthcare

Parkinson's Disease: Management Strategies 4.25 Hours

Epic Developmental Services; Towson, MD

Early Intervention; Techniques to Achieve Develop 13 Hours
Therapeutic Evaluation & Treatment of Toe Walking 15 Hours
DIR101: The Nuts and Bolts of DIR/Floor time 15 Hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review and Consider Recommendations of the Chief Hearing Officer

Mr. Maloney briefly explained the letter of reprimand for failure to comply, a civil fine and if licensees fail to comply with their final order, their license will be suspended and reported to the practitioner's data base.

A motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to approve the recommendations of the Chief Hearing Officer as presented for the following licensees:

1. Yasmeen Opioyero #U1-0001322
2. Susan Parker #U1-0000090
3. Stephanie Parlis #U1-0001388
4. Cynthia Raymond #U1-0001295
5. Amy Paul #U1-0001462
6. Laura Passwaters #U2-0001306

The motion was unanimously carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no Correspondence

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

A member of the public addressed the Board with a question regarding moving and how to maintain the license in the case of relocation. Ms. Richardson mentioned reviewing the rules and regulations for

status options and explained the inactive status and other statuses. Ms. Schmittinger mentioned the importance of keeping addresses up to date with the Board office. Mr. Maloney added if a license expires the licensee must still remain compliant with the rules and regulations.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room A, 2nd floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ms. Richardson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Mosley, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Melvin
Administrative Specialist II

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal